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TOMB OF ROBERT THROCKMORTON,
LITTLE PAXTON CHURCH,
HUNTINGDONSHIRE, ENGLAND.

daughter, and others transported in 1662. (*Ibid*, v, 413.) The will of Hugh Kinsey, of Anne Arundel county, dated 6 May, was proved 25 September, 1667. (*Wills*, i, 291; *Test. Proc.*, ii, 189.) To his wife Margaret, who is appointed executrix, he leaves his whole estate for life, and after her decease, to his youngest daughter, Elizabeth Kinsey—should the said Elizabeth die without issue, then what is bequeathed to her is to go to Mary Humphreys, “but if Mary Humphreys should decease, then my desire is that my estate should be equally divided among the rest of my children.” To Sarah Clarke “my feather bed, Rugg, blankitt, and Bolster, which I brought out of Virginia. To testator’s grandchild, Paul Kinsey, when he comes of age, tract Walnut Neck in the Middle Branch. If my cattle does well and returns which now is gone astray, I do give unto Hamock (*sic*) Ball, my grandchild, one cow and also Margaret Kinsey, my grandchild, another cow. To Charles Gorsuch ‘my silver sack cup.’” Witnesses: William Hare, John X. Mason. Of course “Hamock Ball” is merely a clerical error for Hannah Ball. It is worthy of note that, through his youngest daughter, Elizabeth Kinsey, who married Richard Johns, Hugh Kinsey was the direct ancestor of Johns Hopkins, the founder of the great university that bears his name.

23 February, 1677, patent to Hannah Ball, daughter of Richard Ball, late of Baltimore county, deceased, for 300 acres in Baltimore county, called East Humphreys. The patent recites that the said tract was patented 13 February, 1659, to Thomas Humphreys, who died leaving issue, one daughter, Mary, and devised the land by will to his wife, Mary Humphreys. The said Mary Humphreys, widow of Thomas, conveyed the land by deed of gift to her daughter, Mary Humphreys, and shortly after married Richard Ball, by whom she had one daughter, Hannah Ball. Mary Humphreys, daughter of Thomas and Mary, obtained a re-survey on the said land and a patent on the re-survey dated 10 June, 1671, but subsequently died without issue. Richard Ball and Mary, his wife, are both dead, and William Ball, administrator of Richard Ball, petitions for an extension of the patent to Hannah Ball, sole daughter of Richard and Mary, as heir to her sister, Mary Humphreys. Whereupon the patent issued as prayed. (*Land Office*, lib. 20, fol. 10)

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THROCKMORTON FAMILY.

In the records of land grants in the Virginia State Land Office appears a grant, dated 1637, to Robert Throckmorton, of 300 acres in the county of Charles River, “lying south upon the lands of Walter Clarke. * * * The White Marsh being in the middle of the said land.” Due for his own personal adventure into Virginia, and for the transportation, at his

charge, of five persons into the colony, viz: John Bristoe, Robert Turner, Henry Warren, Thomas Clarke and Richard Ratcliffe.

The county of Charles River (afterwards called York) at this time included both sides of the river, and the grant may have been at White Marsh, in the present Gloucester county, but the description "White Marsh" occurs in so many patents that it is not possible to speak positively.

The patentee, Robert Throckmorton, born at Ellington, Hunts, Eng., about 1608 (see *Camden's Visitation*, Hunts, 1613), was the eldest son of Gabriel* Throckmorton, of Ellington, Esq., and his wife Alice, daughter and heir of Wm. Bedles, of county Bedford. He became Lord of the Manor of Ellington in 1626, on the death of his father, and evidently returned to England to look after his interests there, for in September, 1657, he was living at Osford Cluny, Hunts, as his will P. C. C. 74 Bruce, dated 14 September, 1657, states, "I, Robert Throckmorton, now of Osford Cluny and heretofore of Ellington. Esq., etc., etc." (Died September, 1657.) This will was proved in 1662 by his eldest son Albion, the sole executor. From his will it would appear he was married twice, and that his children were all by his first wife, whose surname is unknown. Her Christian name was probably Anne, as letters of administration were granted on January 15, 1655, to Robert Throckmorton the husband of Anne Throckmorton late of Long Stow in the county of Hunts, administer the goods, chattels and debts of the said deceased, &c. His second wife was Judith Hetley or Cromwell. Children:

I. Albion Throckmorton, of Stow, in county Hunts, executor of his father's will in 1662, died 1680, unmarried—left no will. Letters of admon granted to Maria Keene, widow, sister to Albion Throckmorton, lately of Osford Cluny, Hunts, 31 December, 1685.

II. Robert Throckmorton, of Stow, in county Hunts, died unmarried Jan. 6, 1681. Letters of admon granted to Maria Keene, widow, sister to Robert Throckmorton, lately of Osford Cluny, Hunts, 31 December, 1685.

III. John Throckmorton, described in *Heralds Visitation* of 1684 as of Ellington, and giving date of death as 1678, *aet. circa* 45.

A most thorough search in England has so far been unable to unearth will, admon, or any other evidences of his death. He probably died in Virginia, as all his children except the eldest were born there, and he was Vestryman of Ware Parish in 1672 and 1677 (from original Vestry book). He married in England a daughter (Frances?) & eventually

*Gabriel Throckmorton was Lord of the Manor of Ellington. He died January, 1626—buried at All Saints Church, Ellington, "24 Januarie, 1626," (All Saints Register)—will probate register Peterboro, 1626, No. 110, dated Ellington, 22 January, 1626.

Alice Bedles, his wife, died October, 1637, buried at All Saints Church, October 16, 1637—will Pet. Pro. Reg. 1637, No. 57, dated 18 February, 1635.

heiress of Edward Mason, of Hemingford Abbots, county Hunts, and his wife Elizabeth Locke. Issue:

1. Martha, born —, buried at Luton, Beds., England, 24 May, 1654. (See *Genealogia Bedfordensis* by Fred A. Blaydes, page 188.)

2. Robert Throckmorton, born in Virginia, 1662; died at Little Paxton, Hunts, 9th March, 1698-9.

3. Gabriel Throckmorton, of Ware Parish, Va., born 1665. According to Visitation 1684, "*aetat circa* 19 now living in Va."—married, 1690, Frances, daughter Mordecai Cooke, of Ware Parish, Va., and left issue.

4. Albion Throckmorton, of Petsworth Parish, Va., according to Visitation 1684, "*aetat circa* 12 — 1684." Church Warden of Petsworth Parish, Gloucester county, Va. (from original Vestry book), 7 July, 1711.

5. Anne, born 1675.

IV. Mary, married, first, Richard Powell, of Bugden county, Hunts, had issue: 1. Cadwallader Powell, ob. S. P.; 2. Mary Powell, wife to John Antrobus, of London.

Married, second, Henry Keene, of Bugden. Had issue: 1. Henry Keene, *obt. aetat 14 an.*; 2. Jane; 3. Anne; 4. Sussanah; 5. Elizabeth.

Robert Throckmorton, son of John, grandson of the patentee of 1637, inherited through the death of his two uncles without issue, the estates in England, and thus became Lord of the Manor of Ellington, as is shown by his will, 83 Pett., dated 1 March, 1695, proved 3 May, 1699. In it he describes himself as "of Paxton Parva in the County of Huntingdon, Esq.," leaves to his "dear wife Mary" (she was a daughter of Sir Thos. Bromsall, of Beeston, county Bedford, Knt. (died 1706), High sheriff of Bedford), lands lying in the Parish of Ellington in said county of Huntingdon, etc. "After decease of my wife I give and devise all the said premises, all other my messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments in Ellington aforesaid, unto my son Robert Throckmorton and his heirs forever; the premises settled upon my wife to him and his heirs immediately after my decease, and all the rest of my estate in Ellington to him and his heirs forever, to enter upon at his age one and twenty years and not sooner and subject to the payment of my daughters Sussanna, Alice and Mary such summe and summes of money for their portion as is hereafter mentioned, *i. e.*, out of my estate in Ellington.

Item. Leaves his "Brick House where I now dwell" to his eldest son Bromsall Throckmorton—also his lordship of Little Paxton, etc. After leaving property to his "son newly borne" he bequeathes as follows:

"Item. I do devise unto my brother Albion Throckmorton, all my plantations and effects in Gloucester County, upon York River, in Virginia, to him and his heirs, executors and administrators and assigns forever.

"Item. I give unto my brother Gabriel Throckmorton, my other

plantation in New Kent County near Rappahannock River, in Virginia, to him, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever."

There is a tomb still extant in Little Paxton Church to his memory, see accompanying cut. The inscription is as follows:

"Near this Place lyes ye body of Rob.
Throckmorton, Esq., decended from
Ye ancient Family of ye Throckmortons,
in this County. He was born in
Virginia, was chosen Knight of this
Shire & served in Parliament. He was
not so Happy as to have a liberal
Education but that defect was abundantly
compensated by ye Probity of his life &
his constant adherence to ye Interest of
his Country which got him a general
& deserved esteem & left so Lasting
an impression upon his Aunt Mrs.
Mary Barnes (Relict of Jos. Barnes,
B. D. and G'k, Prof'sor in ye University
of Cambridge) that she erected
this Monument to his Memory.

Obijt, Mar. 9th. { *Anno Salutis*, 1698-9
 { *Anno Aetatis*, 36."

His son Robert Throckmorton, who inherited Ellington—died 5 September, 1767, and by his will, dated at Hail Weston, Hunts, 5 December, 1765 (codicil, 24 August, 1767), left the larger portion of his real and personal estate to "—— Throckmorton, the eldest son of my cousin Robert Throckmorton, Esq., now or late upon York River, in Gloucester County, in Virginia," 13 October, in year of our Lord 1767. This will was proved at Lambeth, with codicil, before the Worshipful F. Simpson, Doctor of Laws and Surrogate of the right Worshipful George Hay, also Doctor of Laws, and Master Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, lawfully constituted by the oath of John Bailey, the executor named in the said codicil, until John Throckmorton, eldest son of Robert Throckmorton, of Virginia, Esq., and as such residuary Legatee and executor named in the said will, shall come into England and take upon him the executorship thereof or grant sufficient power to some other person for that purpose, to whom administration of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of the deceased, was granted, he having first sworn duly to administer.

In margin.—Ceased and expired and another probate granted in May, 1768.

This will was proved at Lambeth, with a codicil, 17 May, 1768, before

the worshipful Francis Simpson, Doctor of Laws, Surrogate of the right worshipful George Hay, also Doctor of Laws, Master, Keeper or Commissary, lawfully constituted by the oath of John Throckmorton (by mistake in the will called Robert Throckmorton) eldest son of Robert Throckmorton, of Virginia, Esq., and as such the Residuary Legatee and executor named in the said will, to whom administration of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of the said deceased was granted, he having been first sworn duly to administer the probate of the said will granted in the month of October, 1767, to John Bailey, the executor named in the said codicil, until the said John Throckmorton should come into England and take upon him the executorship of the said will or grant sufficient power to some other person for that purpose, being ceased and expired by reason of the said John Throckmorton being come into England and taking upon him the executorship thereof.

Registered Oct., 1767.

There was evidently a contest by John Throckmorton's English cousins, for on the back of the original will, is—

“In Chancery. John Throckmorton, Esq., complainant, and Sam'l Walker & Eliz. his wife. Mary Perkins & John Robert Throckmorton Huske, Esq., def. This paper was produced before Francis Carroll, Adrian Johnson, Jno. Park.”

John Throckmorton sold Ellington and returned to Virginia, where he died August, 1775; thus the manor of Ellington passed out of the Throckmorton family, in whose possession it had been for over 200 years.

During his stay in England John Throckmorton deposited in the Heralds College, London, a pedigree of his family. This pedigree was deposited in 1768-9, and a copy of it was obtained by me in February, 1896, as well as a copy of MSS. Visitation of Huntingdonshire 1684—to which reference has been made in these pages—'photos of both papers attached.

On his return to Virginia he brought with him the arms of the family on the back of which is this certificate:

“The Arms, Crest & Quarterings
depicted in this achievement belong
to John Throckmorton of Ware
Parish in Virginia. Extracted from
Evidences preserved in the Heralds
office London by

Ralph Bigland, Somerset.

Herald & Reg'r 3 March, 1769.

See the pedigrees of this

Family in the Visitations of Huntingdon, etc.,
in the Heralds office.”

The following evidences referred to in the foregoing paper are attached herewith:

1. Copy Land Grant to Robert Throckmorton.
2. Copy of will of Gabriel Throckmorton, of Ellington, Hunts, 1626, father of the Patentee.
3. Copy of will of Alice Throckmorton, of Ellington, Hunts, 1637, mother of the Patentee.
4. Copy of will of Robert Throckmorton, (the Patentee), of Osford Cluny, Hunts, 1664.
5. Copy of Admon of the Estate of Anne Throckmorton, late of Long Stowe county, Hunts—first wife of the Patentee.
6. Copy of will of Judith Throckmorton of St. Neotts, Hunts, 1686.—Secod wife of Patentee.
7. Copy of will of Edward Mason, of Hemingford Abbots, Hunts, 1700.
8. Copy of Admons of the Estates of Robert Throckmorton, of Osford Cluny, Hunts, and of Albion Throckmorton, of Osford Cluny, Hunts—sons of the Patentee.
9. Copy of will of Robert Throckmorton, of Paxton Parva, Hunts, 1699—grandson of the patentee—leaving his plantations in Virginia to his brothers Albion and Gabriel.
10. Photo of his tomb in Little Paxton Church, Hunts.
11. Copy of will of Robert Throckmorton, of Hail Weston, Hunts, 1767.
12. Copy of letter to Robert Throckmorton, Esq, Gloucester county, Virginia, in reference to will of Robert Throckmorton, of Hail Weston, Hunts, dated London, 12 September, 1767.
13. Half-tone print of same.
14. Half-tone print of Arms brought to Virginia in 1769.
15. Copy of the Court Leet or Court Baron of Albion Throckmorton, held for his Manor of Ellington, 7 October, 1657, showing John Throckmorton in Virginia and tracing the pedigree of the family to Sir Robert Throckmorton, of Coughton Warwick.
16. Copy of *Visitation of Hunts* 1613, showing pedigree of family.
17. Copy of *Visitation of Hunts* 1684.
18. Copy of pedigree deposited in the Herald's office by John Throckmorton in 1769.

The coat of arms was engraved in the *William and Mary Quarterly*, IV, 129, and the *Visitation of Hunts* 1684, and the pedigree deposited by John Throckmorton, were printed in the same magazine V, 54, 55. The fac-similies referred to are preserved among the collections of this society.

Copy of letter to Robert Throckmorton, Esq., Gloucester county, Virginia, in reference to will of Robert Throckmorton, of Hail Weston, Hunts.

London, 12th Sept., 1767.

Sir,

The Chief purport of this is to Inclose you a Line Just rec'd from Mr. Bailey, of Huntingdonshire, informing us that your name sake of Hail Weston, in the said County, died the 5th Instant & by will had given a good real Estate & the principal part of his personal Estate to a gentleman described as follows:

To the Eldest son of my Cousin Robert Throckmorton, Esq., now or late upon York River in Gloucester County, in Virginia, & to his Heirs & assigns for ever, & had appointed the above I. Bailey, his Trustee & Ex'r. Mr. Bailey desired we would send him an answer, which we did, & as he purposes writing himself, shall as soon as we receive it, order it to be Immediately forwarded. We presume Mr. John Throckmorton to be your Eldest son, & if so, the Sooner he comes over the better, without waiting for any further Information than this. Mr. Bailey recommends as he is an entire stranger to every party here, that it will be necessary for your son to bring with him proper certificates signed by the Gov'r & put under the Colony Seal, with every Credential to prove him to be the Identical person described as above, or else he will meet with great Difficultyes in the disposal of the real Estate or getting into his possession the personal, which is Vested in the Publick Funds & who, were the least doubt is made will never part with a sixpence. As we are doubtfull whether Mr. John Throckmorton is your Eldest son we have not wrote him, but referr'd everything to yourself what services we can render him, you or any of your family we shall with Great pleasure do. What we can learn the Estate left to your son is worth Eight thousand pounds. We give you Joy of this event and remain,

Sr. Your Most hum. Servt.,

ROBERT CARY & Co.

Major Robert Throckmorton.

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ESKRIDGE FAMILY.

(CONTINUED.)

3. Samuel ² (George ¹), married Jane Steptoe, and had: 1. Rebecca; 2. Charles; 3. Richard; 4. Burdette; 5. John —, born 1743.

3. Charles ³ (Samuel, ² George ¹), married first, Miss Guley, and had one son William; second, Caroline Lane, a widow, and had one son Hector.

3. William ⁴ (Charles, ³ Samuel, ² George ¹), married —. He was for thirty years clerk of court for Loudoun county. His children were: 1. Charles Guley; 2. William; 3. Alexander, Captain U. S. N.; 4. Alfred A., a minister of the M. E. Church, South,